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Rear Admiral Fumiyuki Kitagawa JMSDF Vice Commander, Combined Task Force Commander, Escort Flotilla 3

Rear Admiral Kitagawa was born January 24, 1960. After graduating Defense Academy in 1982 he joined the Maritime Self Defense Force as an Officer Candidate.

Rear Admiral Kitagawa's first command was aboard the JS Mineyuki (DD-124) in 1999. Kitagawa next command was to serve as a Military Diplomat (Naval Attaché) posted in Australia in April 2001.

In July 2001 Rear Admiral Kitagawa was promoted to Captain and in August 2004 was selected to serve in the Chief of Liaison Section, Administration Division, Maritime Staff Office.

Kitagawa worked in the Director of Analysis Office, Plans and Programs Division, Maritime Staff Office in March 2006 and in December 2006 became the Commander of Escort Division 5, JMSDF.

In August 2008 Kitagawa was assigned to Training Staff, Fleet Escort Force and transitioned to Operation Staff, Self-Defense Fleet in August 2010.

Selected to Rear Admiral in August 2011 Kitagawa currently serves as the Commander of Escort Flotilla 3, JMSDF.

